

Statement Regarding Agreement Between the United States and
Israel Amending the Land Lease and Purchase Agreement for
Construction of Diplomatic Facilities of January 18, 1989,
as Amended. Exchange of Notes at Tel Aviv and Jerusalem
January 2 and 14, 2003

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Explanation of Agreement

The exchange of notes extends the time for identifying
a Tel Aviv site for U.S. diplomatic facilities until
January 18, 2004.

Legal Authority

The State Department Basic Authorities Act (SDBAA), 22
U.S.C. sec. 2669, et seq; the Foreign Service Buildings
Act, 22 U.S.C., secs. 292-302; the Foreign Missions Act
(FMA), 22 U.S.C. secs. 4301-14; and the International
Center Act, as amended (ICA), P.L. No. 90-553, 83 Stat. 958
(1968).